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In the Application of) Examiner: M. Chambers
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Title: AN APPARATUS FOR VISUALLY)
CHECKING THE OPERATION STATUS))
OF A STOP VALVE, AND A MANUAL)
OPENING APPARATUS FOR A)
NORMALLY-CLOSED VALVE)
) (Our Docket No.: 4415-15)
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RESPONSE

Dear S I R:

The following is a Response to the Office Action of March 17, 2003 in the above-identified patent application. Remarks directed to the Office Action are provided in the attached sheets.